TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAMERON County

MINUTE ORDER

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The Texas Transportation Commission (commission), by Minute Order 112249, dated April 29, 2010, designated the proposed East Loop Project as State Highway 32 in Cameron County along new location and portions of Farm to Market 1419, a distance of approximately 9.8 miles. The minute order also provided that the designation shall become null and void if construction of the East Loop Project (SH 32) does not begin within 36 months of the date of the minute order.

Subsequent to the April 29, 2010 minute order, the Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority (CCRMA) moved forward with project development for the East Loop Project (SH 32) in a diligent manner, performing preliminary engineering, conducting environmental studies and public involvement, and procuring final engineering design services. CCRMA remains committed to expediting and completing project development, but given the significant environmental coordination required for the project, it will likely not be ready to receive bids until 2015. Accordingly, CCRMA and the Texas Department of Transportation (department) are recommending the amendment of Minute Order 112249.

The commission finds that amendment of Minute Order 112249 to extend the deadline for beginning construction will facilitate the East Loop (SH 32) project, serves the public interest and is in the best interest of the state, is compatible with existing and planned transportation facilities, and serves to further state, regional and local transportation plans and goals.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that in the event construction of the East Loop Project (SH 32) does not begin by August 31, 2015, the order shall become null and void.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the project is developed by an entity other than the department, the maintenance, control, and jurisdiction of the project will remain with the developing entity until the highway is opened to traffic as approved by the department.

Submitted and reviewed by:

Director of Planning

Recommended by:

Executive Director

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